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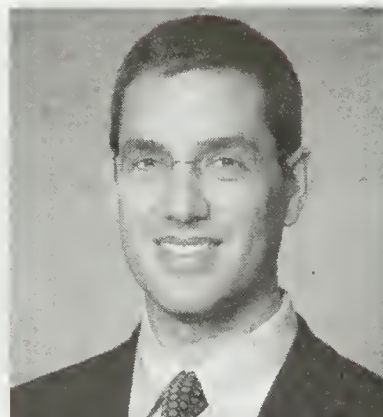
Jewish literacy is not just a goal, it is a state of being

If someone were to walk into your home...how would they know it to be a Jewish home? The mezuzah at the door may be the first indicator. Some of us may own Jewish art, perhaps Shabbat candlesticks or a menorah displayed prominently. Perhaps you have pictures on the wall from a Bar Mitzvah or a beautiful book displayed on a coffee table.

While each of us may have a different way to signal the "Jewishness" of our homes, I want to suggest one litmus test which we can all aspire to pass. Is there a Jewish book at your bedside?

It may seem like a small thing, but I think that if every member of our community had a book of Jewish interest at their bedside – we would be the envy of the Jewish world. It doesn't matter to me if it is a book of law or poetry, if it is a *siddur* or a work of fiction, English or Hebrew, if it is Abba Eban, Ibn Ezra or Elliot Abrams. I want every member of Park Avenue Synagogue to have a Jewish book at their bedside.

Other *mitzvot* are certainly important. Certainly giving *tzedakah*, going to Israel, doing deeds of kindness and observing Jewish rituals are all necessary for a vital Jewish future. But we all know that what we go to bed reading, we dream about at night and think about during the day. As a parent, I believe that when your kids walk into your bedroom, if they see a Jewish book at your bedside, they will know that you take Jewish learning seriously. A pretty book on your coffee table may impress the guests, but a book on your bedside table, or better yet, on your



stomach because you fell asleep reading it, makes an impression on your family. Rich or poor, young or old, Jewish literacy is not just a goal, it is a state of being that unites and sustains us.

Next time you are out on the town, I encourage you to check out the Judaica section at a local bookstore and pick up a book to read. Better yet, stop by this year's Book Fair & Hanukkah Boutique taking place on Monday and Tuesday, November 16 and 17. The book fair is a highlight of the year at P.A.S., offering a wide assortment of

books for readers of all ages.

Beyond the Book Fair, our Edmund de Rothschild Library has an extraordinary selection of fiction and non-fiction books available every day of the year. Anyone with a few minutes to spare would do well to stop by the library and meet with our fantastic librarian Marga Hirsch. I guarantee, once you tell Marga what you like reading, she will be able to point you in the right direction!

In our day and age, Jewish books are plentiful, available and easily purchased or found in libraries. To be Jewish means that you are part of the greatest book club of all – beginning with the Torah, right up to the latest release. The only real question is if you have picked up a book for yourself, put it at your bedside, and taken the initiative to participate in being one of the "people of the book."

Edmond de Rothschild Library Hours: Monday, 10:00 am–8:00 pm; Tuesday & Thursday: Noon–6:30 pm; Wednesday, 10:00 am–6:30 pm; Friday: 10:00 am–3:00 pm. Feel free to visit the library with questions or for book recommendations anytime. The room is always open, with instructions on the desk for how to check out books in Marga's absence.

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ENCLOSED: Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day Guide 2009

Mizmor l'todah

During the month of November, American Jews and non-Jews alike anticipate the secular holiday of Thanksgiving. The holiday brings to mind long holiday weekends and pleasant images of families gathering around roasted turkey, cranberries, and pie. Perhaps your family, like mine, has a tradition of going around the table and asking each person what they are thankful for. How many of us roll our eyes at this seemingly childish exercise?

Jews are no strangers to the notion of giving thanks. While Thanksgiving (with a capital "T") is not a Jewish holiday – there is no biblical injunction to gather with one's family, eat traditional American fare, and think about Pilgrims and Native Americans – it provides us with yet another opportunity to reflect, to praise, and to express our gratitude.

Every weekday morning we recite Psalm 100: *mizmor l'todah*, a psalm of thanksgiving. This psalm implores us to "serve God in joy," "come before God in happiness," and "gratefully thank [*hodu*] God and bless God's name." It's a delightful coincidence that the Hebrew word for turkey, the American Thanksgiving "sacrifice," happens to be *hodu*! According to this Psalm, what are we to be thankful for? For our special relationship with God, an unbreakable bond that "spans all generations" [*ad dor vador*].

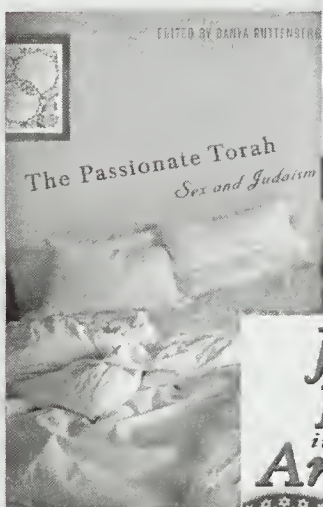
As we anticipate Thanksgiving, it is particularly appropriate to recall the blessings we have received from each other and from



God over the past year. Midrash Tehillim tells us that "in the world-to-come...all prayers will cease except the prayer of thanksgiving: this will never cease." Even in a state of perfection we will have the need and desire to express our gratitude towards God! In our world that is less than perfect, it is even more important to recognize and thank all those who make a difference in our lives.

To begin, I would like to act upon the first lesson I learned from Rabbi Cosgrove: "always thank your wife first." Jodi, I thank you for all your support and help during these months of transition, both professionally and as a family. Your commitment to our family and to this community has been a blessing for me. I would also like to thank the P.A.S. community for opening your doors and making Jodi and me feel at home. Personally, I would like to thank the congregation for the opportunity to serve as your rabbi. The opportunity to make an impact on a dynamic, supportive, intellectual, and dedicated community is truly a blessing. I eagerly anticipate learning and growing with you for years to come.

This year, when we go around the table, let us not ask "What are you thankful for?" but rather "What are the blessings in your life?" and "What is the impact that these blessings have had during the past year?" If we answer these questions, we will infuse the secular holiday of Thanksgiving with an essence of *Yiddishkeit*.



The Hillel Narratives
What the tales of the first rabbi can teach us about our Judaism

"Fresh and engaging..."
— Jacob Neusner

Louis Rieser

Jewish Power in America
Myth and Reality
Henry L. Feingold

Book Fair & Hanukkah Boutique

New Books!

New Schedule!

Evening Hours!

Monday, November 16 | 10:00 am – 9:00 pm

Tuesday, November 17 | 10:00 am – 7:00 pm

This year's Book Fair & Hanukkah Boutique opens on Monday morning for a full day of browsing and buying.

The Book Fair will offer a wide assortment of Jewish books for readers and pre-readers of all ages, as well as Jewish toys for children, and a selection of unusual gifts from the vendors at the Hanukkah Boutique.

As in past years, Book Fair shoppers will have the opportunity to donate books to the ECC, to the Congregational School and to the Edmond de Rothschild Library. New this year: *Get Gelt, Give Gelt!* Shoppers will be invited to drop coins into one of four tzedakah boxes, supporting our synagogue, our community, Israel, and the world.

Plan to stop and shop at the Book Fair & Hanukkah Boutique. It's a once-a-year happening not to be missed.



Special Services

Saturdays, November 7, 24 | 9:30 am

Havurah חבורה

The Havurah is an informal, lay-led Shabbat morning service. People of all ages and skill levels attend and take turns leading and reading parts of the service.

Friday, November 13 | 6:00 pm

Mizrach Minyan מזרח

The Mizrach Minyan or East Side Minyan meets on the second Friday evening of every month. A spirited group of young professionals, the Minyan combines spiritual davening with meaningful teaching. Wine & cheese after services.

Saturday, November 21 | 10:15 – 11:15 am

Learners' Minyan לימוד

Are you eager to understand the Shabbat liturgy? Ready to learn the choreography of a morning service? Come to the Learners' Minyan on the third Shabbat of every month. Learn the Shabbat morning service in a relaxed, intimate group.

Friday, November 13 | 6:15 pm

Birthday Blessings ברכות

Our celebration for children born this month takes place during the regular Friday Evening Service and includes a small gift for birthday children as well as a festive Kiddush. **For more information, contact the Rabbis' office.**

Friday, November 20 | 5:00 pm | ©

Young Families Service & Dinner גן שבת

Families with children up to the age of 6 (and siblings) join our Clergy for an early Kabbalat Shabbat service followed by a child-friendly buffet dinner and short musical program.

© RSVP required for dinner: 212-369-2600, x140 or lifelonglearning@pasyn.org. P.A.S.E.C.C. Yellow and Green rooms are especially invited this month.

Any changes are noted when they occur.

Daily minyanim Monday–Friday at 7:15 am; Sunday and legal holidays at 9:00 am.

Minha/Ma'ariv Sunday–Thursday at 5:45 pm.

Information is subject to change. Confirm at www.pasyn.org or with the office.

Friday, November 6 19 Heshvan

Candle lighting, 4:29 pm

6:15 pm Musical Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 7 20 Heshvan

Parashat Va-yera

8:45 am Parashat HaShavua

9:15 am Sanctuary Service

Bar Mitzvah of Alexander Furman, son of Gail & David Furman

Bar Mitzvah of Jack Shapiro,

son of Lesley Gliedman & Eytan Shapiro

Naming of daughter of Amy & Neil Steiner

9:30 am Havurah

11:15 am Tot Shabbat

4:45 pm Minha/Ma'ariv

Friday, November 13 26 Heshvan

Candle lighting, 4:22 pm

6:15 pm Friday Evening Service

with Children's Birthday Blessings

6:00 pm Mizrach Minyan

Saturday, November 14 27 Heshvan

Parashat Hayyei Sarah

9:15 am Sanctuary Shabbat service

Bar Mitzvah of Phillip Yellin, son of Jodi & Charles Yellin

4:30 pm Minha/Ma'ariv

5:00 pm Young Families Havdalah Service

Friday, November 20 3 Kislev

Candle lighting, 4:16 pm

6:15 pm Friday Evening Service

Saturday, November 21 4 Kislev

Parashat Tol'dot

9:15 am Sanctuary Service

10:15 am Learners' Minyan

Bar Mitzvah of Jason Gurevitch, son of Linda Moses & Arthur Gurevitch

4:30 pm Minha/Ma'ariv

Friday, November 27 10 Kislev

Candle lighting, 4:13 pm

6:15 pm Friday Evening Services

Saturday, November 28 11 Kislev

Parashat Va-yetzei

9:15 am Sanctuary Service

Bat Mitzvah of Siena Teitelbaum, daughter of Debra & Robert Teitelbaum

Welcome Home College Students

4:30 pm Minha/Ma'ariv

Rabbi Elliot J. Cosgrove and Rabbi Steven I. Rein will preach and conduct the services together with Cantor Nancy Abramson, Cantor Elana Cohen, Cantor and the Synagogue Choir, with Neil Robinson at the organ.

תודה רבה

Thank you to our congregants who read Torah and led services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur:

Jonathan Aisenberg, Sam Ascheim, Daniel Bernstein,

Peter Bernstein, Andrew Colvin, Suzanne Gold,

Gabby Koonen, Brian Lustbader, Gabrielle Lustig,

Steve Mandelsberg, Alexandra Mitchell, Jodi Rein,

Lisa Rizzi, Jodi Rosensaft, Howard Rutman,

Melissa Rutman, Stephen Rutman, Andrew Ruvkun,

Carolyn Ruvkun, Heidi Silverstone and Michael Silverstone

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Sign up for our email list to learn about everything going on at P.A.S. Receive service and event updates; special reminders about important events and congregational news. Email Lynn Schneider, at lschneider@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x105.

Vivian Finkel, z"l, Memorial Service | Sunday, November 8 | 11:00 am | At Park Avenue Synagogue

On Sunday, November 8, Park Avenue Synagogue will honor the memory of Vivian Finkel, Master Teacher, who died on June 6, 2009.

A graduate of Herzliya Teachers Seminary, where she received a Bachelors degree in Hebrew literature, Vivian Finkel continued her Judaic studies at JTS. She also earned degrees in Accounting and Commercial Law. As a young woman she worked in her secular field, assisted her pharmacist husband in his business, and raised two young daughters.

In 1952 Vivian Finkel decided it was time to return to her passion in life – teaching Judaic studies. The major beneficiaries of this decision were Park Avenue Synagogue and the thousands of students whose lives were touched by this committed, creative and compassionate teacher. Over 50 years, Vivian Finkel worked with seven different religious school principals and even shared that position for one year. Her retirement in June, 2002, was celebrated by three generations of students and co-workers.



In 1977 Vivian was selected as the Outstanding Teacher of Judaic Studies in afternoon religious schools in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut and was awarded the title of Master Teacher. The award recognized the innovative techniques she had created in the teaching of Judaic studies, including adult Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, Hebrew classes for students with special needs, and rehearsing with Bar and Bat Mitzvah students over the telephone. As word spread about the adult B'nei Mitzvah program at P.A.S., G'veret Finkel was inundated with requests from synagogues all over the country to help them organize similar programs.

At Vivian's retirement, she referred to her years of teaching at P.A.S. as "50 joyful years." Anyone who had the privilege of experiencing her dynamic teaching remembers the love she had for her students and for all things Jewish. Please join us at the synagogue on Sunday, November 8, at 11:00 am to honor her memory with prayer and reminiscences.

In addition to the memorial service, we will have a small display highlighting Vivian's achievements. If you have photographs of Vivian with a student or a class, please contact the P.A.S. librarian, Marga Hirsch, at 212-369-2600, x127 or mhirsch@pasyn.org.

Save the Date
March 13, 2010

Park Avenue Synagogue *Gala 2010*

Opening our doors! Welcoming you in!

HONORING LYNN AND MARTIN HALBFINGER

Save the Date:

January 22 – 23, 2010

Shabbaton: Israel and Her Neighbors

Our annual Shabbaton will focus on Israel in her geo-political context. We will learn from Dr. Kenneth W. Stein, Professor of Contemporary Middle Eastern History and Israeli Studies at Emory University; Gershom Gorenberg, Israeli historian, author, journalist, and expert on the Settlements; and Dr. Stephen P. Cohen, founder of the Institute for Middle East Peace and Development and a major behind-the-scenes influence in several of the most important and successful peace initiatives in the Middle East. Ambassador Michael Oren invited.

New! An integrated list of opportunities for adult learning and programs at P.A.S. Classes and events with no other sponsor listed are offered by the Department of Lifelong Learning. For registration and other information please refer to the Fall 2009 Program Calendar, visit www.pasyn.org, or call 212-369-2600, x140.

Weekly Classes

Manday

- 6:30 – 7:30 pm | **Beginning Siddur Hebrew**
- 6:30 – 7:30 pm | **Intermediate Conversational Hebrew**
- 6:30 – 7:30 pm | **Synagogue Skills**
- 7:30 – 9:00 pm | **Advanced Conversational Hebrew**
- 7:45 – 9:00 pm | **Beginning Conversational Hebrew**

Tuesday

- 8:00 – 9:00 am | **Essential Essays** | Rabbi Casgrave
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm | **Contemporary Jewish Thought** | Rabbi Rein
- 6:30 – 7:30 pm | **Jewish Theology 101** | Rabbi Cosgrove | Four November Classes
- 7:45 – 9:00 pm | **Married to God** | Rabbi Amy Kalmanofsky | Four November Classes

Wednesday

- 6:45 – 9:00 pm | **Florence Melton Adult Mini-School**

Thursday

- 8:00 – 9:00 am | **Talmud Torah** | Rabbi Rein
- 9:15 – 11:30 am | **Florence Melton Adult Mini-School**
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm | **Lunch & Learn** | P.A.S. Senior Staff
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm | **Midtown Lunch & Learn** | Rabbi Rein



Shabbat Dinner Series | \$ ①

November 6 | Rabbi Julie Schanfeld
The Road Ahead: How the Unique Perspective of Conservative Judaism Can Lead the Jewish Community in the 21st Century
 \$ ① Make dinner reservations by Tuesday, November 3, by returning the registration form on page 13, or by emailing lifelonglearning@pasyn.org or by calling Renatt Brodsky at 212-369-2600, x140.

December 4 | Dr. Eitan Fishbane
The Mystical Dimension of Judaism: Kabbalah and the Spiritual Quest
 \$ ① Make dinner reservations by Tuesday, December 1, by returning the registration form on page 13, or by emailing lifelonglearning@pasyn.org or by calling Renatt Brodsky at 212-369-2600, x140.

For background on both scholars, please turn to page 13.

Events

Monthly/Bimonthly

Women's Torah Study Group | ①

Mandays, Nov. 2 & Dec. 1
 7:30 pm | Rabbi Julia Andelman
 ① Ta RSVP (required) and for location, contact lifelonglearning@pasyn.org or call Renatt or 212-369-2600, x140.



New! Parent Ed: Mitzvah Initiative

Wed., Nov. 4 | 5:00 pm | Rabbi Casgrave
 Tues., Nov. 10 | 5:00 pm | Rabbi Rein
 For details, turn to page 11.

Evening Book Discussion Group

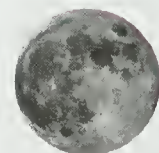
Manday, November 9 | 8:00 pm
 Rothschild Library
 Maderatar, Pat Davidsan
 Book: *Laish* by Aharon Appelfeld

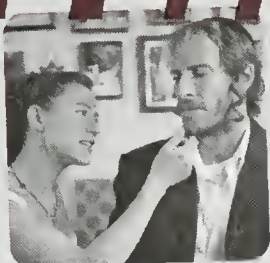
Yiddish Club

Tuesday, November 17
 1:00 pm | Sponsored by Sisterhood

Moonbeams

Thursdays, Nov. 19 & Dec. 17
 7:30 pm | Sponsored by WEG
 For location and to receive reading in advance, contact Joann Rosoff at joannrosoff@aol.com.





Sisterhood Lunch, Film & Discussion | Tuesday, November 24 | 1:00 pm
Shadows in Paradise: Hitler's Exiles in Hollywood

P.A.S. Film Series | Tuesday, December 8

My Mexican Shivah

Post-film discussion moderated by Jason Oppenheimer, P.A.S. Director of Youth Activities and Rabbi Judah Nadich High School.



P.A.S. Gallery Reception and Artists' Talks | Monday, November 2

6:15 pm | Reception

7:30 pm | Discussion with Artists Ellen Alt, Alan Davidson, Karen Glanternik, & Karen Smul

Ellen Alt, Artist-in-Residence at P.A.S., expresses her imagination through multi-layered collage and mixed media works. Dr. Alan Davidson's oeuvre as a gifted silversmith includes innovative Jewish ceremonial art and jewelry. Karen Glanternik's expertise in faux finishing and design is reflected in her renowned painted furniture and objects. Karen Smul's powerful photography encompasses documentary, landscape, and portrait works.



Men's Club Study Brunch | Sunday November 8 | Minyan at 9:00 am; brunch and study at 10:00 am

Come at 9:00 am to wrap tefillin and then daven with the morning minyan. Stay for a bagel brunch, and study "Judaism's Greatest Hits" - a gentle introduction to Jewish philosophy through Pirkei Avot, taught by Rabbi Steven Rein. Free for members; \$5 for guests.



Sisterhood-sponsored visit to Lubin House at Syracuse University

Winslow Homer: American Artist | Thursday, November 12 | 1:00 pm

WEG Theater Evening

Sholom Aleichem: Laughter Through Tears

Thursday, Nov. 12 | 8:00 pm | \$ ②

Starring Theodore Bikel. Followed by a Champagne Reception with Mr. Bikel and the cast. Special Guest: Bel Kaufman, granddaughter of Sholom Aleichem will speak. Rose Nagelberg Theatre of Baruch University, 25th St. between 3rd & Lexington Avenues. Tickets: WEG Members, \$35 per person; Non-members, \$45.

\$ ② For reservations or further information, please contact either Laurie Malden at LVM62401@verizon.net, 212-861-0508 or 301-461-5231; or Linda Klempner at LSKnyc@aol.com or 212-744-0234 or 917-327-5723.

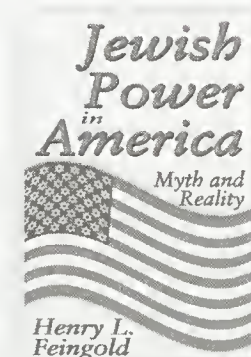


Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Memorial Lecture

"Jewish Power in America: Myth and Reality"

Thursday November 19 | 7:00 pm | Co-sponsored by Sisterhood, WEG and Men's Club

Noted historian Dr. Henry Feingold discusses the controversial issue of Jewish power in the United States. Dr. Feingold's books are available in the Rothschild Library.



Young Families Mission to Israel

Plan your summer vacation now! Travel to Israel with Rabbi Cosgrove next June! This 10-day trip will visit all the essential sights at a pace tailored to the interests of young children (ages 4 to 8) and their families. Sign up now, space is limited.

For more information, please contact Rabbi Julia Andelman at jandelman@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x142

B'nei Mitzvah בני מצוה

Xander Furman | November 7

Xander is a 7th grader at The Dalton School. Whether he is in the classroom, playing tackle football for Dalton, or on the travel baseball field, Xander is an enthusiastic participant and leader in all his endeavors.

Xander loves his summers at Brant Lake Camp in the Adirondacks. There he participates in all his favorite sports and the occasional Lip Sync Contest.

Going against the family tradition of rooting for the Red Sox, Xander is a diehard Yankee fan.

Xander has a true joie de vivre. He can make anything fun-



filled. However, while he is quick with a joke, he is also a sensitive, sweet young man always looking out for his friends and family.

Xander wanted to begin P.A.S. Early Childhood Center in his Peter Pan costume. Remarkably, the boy who "won't grow up" is about to become a Bar Mitzvah.

Xander is happy to be sharing the bimah with his friend and fellow Dalton student, Jack Shapiro. Xander wishes Jack and his family *mazel tov* and thanks everyone at P.A.S. for helping him prepare for his Bar Mitzvah.

Jack Shapiro | November 7

Jack Shapiro began his Jewish education at P.A.S. Congregational School in the Gan class. Jack is a seventh grader at The Dalton School where he particularly enjoys History and English and is also involved with the Community Service program.

Jack is a very keen skier. He is also a passionate hiker during his time at Camp Keewaydin in Vermont, where he recently completed his fourth summer. Jack is a talented



piano player and enjoys composing. He also enjoys movies and plays and is a caring older brother to his sister Josephine. Another great interest is travel. Jack has been to the UK many times to visit his Grandparents, as well as to France, Italy and Belize. Last spring, he had an inspiring first visit to Israel, where he has an uncle, aunt and many cousins.

Jack would like to thank everyone at P.A.S. for helping him prepare for his Bar Mitzvah.

Phillip Yellin | November 14

Phillip has been active at Park Avenue Synagogue since he was not quite three years old. He attended the ECC for three years and camp for one summer. He is now in his last year at the Congregational School and plans to attend either the High School or a program for teens at JTS.

Phillip attends Robert F. Wagner Middle School where he enjoys Math, Science and Spanish, playing in the band and participating on the tennis team. He is a proud member of ARISTA, the National Honor Society. Phillip spends time



every week tutoring and playing with Kindergarten and first grade children at the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center. In summer, he attends Brant Lake Camp, where he enjoys sports and just having a good time.

Phillip would like to thank the clergy, his Congregational School teachers, especially Zipora Rubin, and his tutor Ronit Aranoff for all their assistance in preparing him for this milestone in his life.

Welcome ברוכים הבאים

Park Avenue Synagogue warmly welcomes these new members to our congregational family:

Gregory & Alison Abousky
Michael & Melissa Benowitz
Steve & Sharon Bunkin
Ethel Cohen
Scott & Elissa Drassinower
Allen & Lynn Fishman
Russell & Amy Fridman

Todd & Brooke Goldstein
Elie & Elana Kobrin
Maxim & Victoria Kulikov
Steven & Francine Levine
Bernice Lieberman
Robert & Amanda Lowenthal
Adam & Erica Roberts

David & Stacie Schapiro
Mort & Miquette Schrader
Adam & Allison Scotch
Patricia Shenker
Sara Waisman
Shai & Kate Waisman

Jason Gurevitch | November 21

Jason Gurevitch is an outgoing and energetic member of a long time Park Avenue Synagogue family; his two older brothers were Bar Mitzvah at P.A.S. Jason particularly enjoys the Rabbi's High Holy Day sermons.

Jason is a 7th grader at Hunter College High School. He previously attended, and has very fond memories of, the 92nd Street Y Nursery School, followed by seven years at the Abraham Joshua Heschel School. His favorite subject is math.

Jason enjoys sports and outdoor activities. He has been taking gymnastics at the 92nd Street Y for eight years. He plays soccer,



roller hockey and racketball, and likes to ski, swim, wakeboard, and kayak. During the summer Jason attends Camp Ramah in the Berkshires. He's a big baseball fan and particularly likes the NY Mets.

Jason loves to travel. He likes family vacations in Vermont, visiting his grandparents in Syracuse, and spending time with cousins in Long Island, New Jersey, and Philadelphia. In 2005 Jason participated in a very meaningful family trip to Israel.

Jason wants to thank his family, teachers, Ronit Aranoff, and the clergy for helping him prepare for this important day.

Siena Teitelbaum | November 28

Siena Teitelbaum began her days at Park Avenue Synagogue in the Early Childhood Center and has attended the Congregational School ever since. Currently a seventh grader at the Salk School of Science, her favorite subjects are art and math. A contortionist at heart, Siena enjoys snowboarding, trapeze, silks, gymnastics and, most recently, wake surfing.

Her years at Park Avenue Synagogue have taught Siena compassion and the importance of helping others. For her mitzvah



project, she has made a commitment to her favorite organization, Puppies Behind Bars, to sponsor a service dog for a United States war veteran. By going house to house in the Catskills and conducting bake sales in NYC, she is close to reaching her goal.

Siena is looking forward to being a bat mitzvah and, along with her parents, would like to thank the clergy, her teachers and staff for their kindness and guidance in preparing her for this milestone.

המקום ינחם אתכם Condolences

Park Avenue Synagogue extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved of our congregation and their families.

Marjorie Kogan, *beloved mother of Barton Kogan and Michael Kogan*
Iolabee Berson

מזל טוב Pride & Congratulations

Mazal tov to Cantor Nancy Abramson who will be honored on Thursday, December 10, by Masorti Olami, with the Hiddur Mitzvah Award. Masorti Olami, the World Council of Conservative/Masorti Synagogues, builds, renews and strengthens Jewish life throughout the world, with efforts that focus on existing and developing communities in Europe, Latin America, the Former Soviet Union, Africa, Asia and Australia. The tribute dinner will be held at Park Avenue Synagogue. For more information, please go to www.masortiolami.org.

Do you know someone ill,
elderly or homebound?

The P.A.S. **Bikur Cholim Caring Committee** reaches out to those in need through telephone calls, visits, and holiday packages. The Caring Committee's trained volunteers are committed to providing confidential hands-on support and companionship to the members of our congregation.

To arrange for this mitzvah, please call Rabbi Cosgrove's office at 212-369-2600, x120. In loving memory of Dr. Albert and Phyllis L. Cornell.

Children's and School Program Schedule

Tuesday, November 3 | **Teacher Inservice, NO SCHOOL**

Wednesday, November 4 | 5:00 – 5:45 pm | **Parent Ed: Mitzvah Initiative** | Rabbi Cosgrove

Saturday, November 7 | **Congregational School classes**
 | 10:15 – 11:15 am | **Junior Congregation**
 | 10:15 – 11:15 am | **Nitzanim**
 | 10:15 – 11:15 am | **Tot Shabbat**

Tuesday, November 10 | 5:00 – 5:45 pm | **Parent Ed: Mitzvah Initiative** | Rabbi Rein

Friday, November 13 | **Gan, Alef, Bet Kabbalat Shabbat Service & Dinner**

Saturday, November 14 | **Congregational School classes**
 | 10:15 – 11:15 am | **Junior Congregation**

Saturday, November 21 | **Congregational School classes**
 | 10:15 – 11:15 am | **Junior Congregation**

November 25 – 29 | **Thanksgiving Break, NO SCHOOL**

Hats Off to John Dewey!

Ron Koas, Educational Director

I love the educational philosophy of **John Dewey**, and not just because he lived in Huntington, NY, as I do. Dewey, in my opinion, was the greatest educational thinker of the 20th century. Although last month marked his 150th birthday, Dewey's theory of experience continues to be read and discussed not only within the educational community, but also in psychology and philosophy, and his views continue to strongly influence the design of innovative education. Dewey was my inspiration when I created the new vision for our P.A.S. religious school.

Dewey's great contribution was his recognition that meaningful education is more than the delivery of knowledge. He advocated that "learning should be a creative process using all resources available both in the classroom and outside in the real world." He maintained that "an educator must take into account the unique differences between each student... Even when a standard curriculum is presented using established pedagogical methods, each student will have a different quality of experience. Teaching and curriculum must be designed in ways that allow for such individual differences."

In our school we practice experiential education. All of the Congregational School teachers strive to take into account the effects of students' past experiences in order to design relevant and meaningful lessons. In addition, children learn through Art,



Music, Dance and Drama as well as from books. We believe children learn best by observing and doing. Hearing about *tzedakah* or *bikkur holim* cannot compare with actually putting some of one's allowance money in a collection box or going on a visit to shut-ins. Learning about Shabbat is nothing like experiencing Shabbat. Making a *siddur* cover of your very own makes the *siddur* more meaningful. Dancing Israeli folkdances creates an emotional bond to Israeli culture.

Our newest experiential innovation is an "interactive" wall in the third floor corridor near the Congregational School offices. Designed and painted by Artist-in-Residence Ellen Alt, the bright mural features the theme *lilmod u-ligdol*, "To Learn and To Grow." Against this background, children will display a variety of art creations that show how they are learning and growing. Currently, the wall is covered with paper flowers which the children in the school made and decorated by writing their Hebrew names. Come up to the third floor and admire their artwork and lettering!

John Dewey taught that while delivery of knowledge acquaints a student with the past, creative, multi-sensory experiences integrate learning with life and prepare students for the future. This is the best path for successful Jewish education.

RJNHS

The Rabbi Judah Nadich High School

Our High School students are having a wonderful fall season! On Wednesday evenings students take a variety of incredible elective courses, such as Jewish Yoga; Judaism and Dating; and Introduction to Jewish Theology. Some of our students are studying with Cantor Abramson, learning to chant *Megillat Esther* in preparation for Purim 2010/5770.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Many of our High School students have been working on a Thanksgiving Food Drive in cooperation and conjunction with the Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day. Please make the food drive a success by bringing non-perishable food items to fill the collection containers the students have placed throughout the building. The containers will be in place until Mitzvah Day on November 22, when we'll sort and pack all the contributions as well as pack our annual Thanksgiving Day meals. Recipients will receive a grocery bag full of food as well as a turkey and pies. Give the teens a hand on November 22 from 12:00–2:00 pm. We'll be on the fourth floor, where you can also check out the new Youth Lounge.



Keep in Touch. Questions, comments, or concerns? Please contact Jason at any time. Call 212-369-2600 x141, or email joppenheimer@pasyn.org

New!

Attend classes at the same time as your children!
Choose either session.

Parent Ed: Mitzvah Initiative | ©

Wednesday, November 4 | 5:00 pm | Rabbi Cosgrove

Tuesday, November 10 | 5:00 pm | Rabbi Rein

Youth Lounge Wednesdays

In conjunction with the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School, Wednesday afternoons will be time for hanging out with friends in our newly created Youth Lounge (combined rooms 401-402). This space has been totally tailored to the comforts and interests of high school students. It is outfitted with comfy couches, video/board games, movies, wireless internet access, and plenty of food for snacks. Students are welcome to the Youth Lounge right after they finish school for the day; it will be open from 3:45–4:55 pm every Wednesday that there is a High School session. Students looking for a quieter atmosphere will have a study hall in the Rothschild Library.



Ruach Family Game Night

On Sunday afternoon, November 8, 4:00-6:00 pm, Ruach, our 1st–2nd grade youth group, will meet for a fun night of snacking, schmoozing, and board games. This will be a great chance for families to get acquainted and to gear up for an exciting year of Ruach activities



Kadima Scavenger Hunt

On Sunday, November 15, 11:30 am–1:30 pm, Kadima will have an amazing photo-savenger hunt around P.A.S. and Central Park! We'll spend the afternoon following clues, making incredible discoveries, and having a blast with all of our Kadima buddies.

“Mitzvah” connotes divine commandments and instructions, personal obligations and responsibilities. In this series of monthly classes we will wrestle with texts and discuss our own experiences in order to understand the commitments that are important to us as individual Conservative Jews and as a congregational community. © RSVP for either session to Phyllis Spiro at pspiro@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x131.



Remember to bring your non-perishable food contributions to the Thanksgiving Food Drive whenever you come to P.A.S. this month!



New! UJA-FED at P.A.S. is a new committee formed to promote cooperation and collaboration between the Synagogue and UJA-Federation. We are pleased to highlight several current projects.



Mitzvah Day Projects

Among the wide array of causes our congregation will support on Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day are a number of UJA-Federation beneficiary agencies: DOROT, Jewish Home and Hospital, Jewish Home Lifecare, and the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty.

DOROT/UJA Special Service for the P.A.S. Community

As part of a special partnership between P.A.S., UJA and DOROT, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency, a “Partners in Caring” social worker will be working with our community this year. Katie Weinberger, LMSW, received her Licensed Masters in Social Work degree from Fordham University, with a specialization in Older Persons and their Families. Whether you’re looking for food, friendship, companionship, shopping assistance, medical or service referrals, cultural activities, volunteer opportunities, caregiver support, or even personalized computer lessons, DOROT urges P.A.S. members and their friends to take advantage of the many programs and services DOROT offers. Katie will be at P.A.S. on Thursdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

For more information, to arrange a home visit or if you would like to meet with Katie at the synagogue, contact Katie Weinberger at 212-769-2850 or Kweinberger@dorotusa.org, or contact Rabbi Rein at srein@pasyn.org or at 212-369-2600, x124.



Connect-to-Care

In response to the economic downturn, UJA-Federation of New York recently launched Connect-to-Care, an initiative offering a coordinated system of free, confidential services to individuals in the Jewish community. Employment and career counseling, financial consultation, debt counseling, budget assistance, legal services and personal counseling are available. Due to Park Avenue Synagogue’s close relationship with UJA-Federation, this program is open to all P.A.S. members. To reach a Connect-to-Care counselor, please call 212-399-2685, x206. Phone lines are open from 9 to 5 on Monday to Friday; calls are returned within one business day, excluding Jewish holidays.

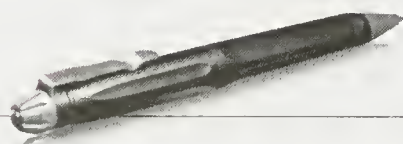
As part of the Connect to Care initiative, the JCC in Manhattan is hosting free workshops in partnership with the Jewish Board of Family and Children’s Services (JBFCS). During November and early December, there will be workshops on Budgeting & Expense Management, Writing to Gain Perspective, Managing Stress, and Marketing Oneself in the Workplace, Although the workshops are free, registration is required.

For workshop times and descriptions, or to register, visit www.jccmanhattan.org/connecttocare or call 646-505-5708.

UJA-Federation of New York’s

connect-to-care

The Jewish community at work for you



Your UJA-Federation Story Are you involved with UJA-Federation or one of its many beneficiary agencies? We want to weave together the many P.A.S./UJA connections and would love to know about your involvement. Please email Natalie Barth at natalie_barth@hotmail.com and tell her about it.



JTS Home Study Evening

Thursday, November 19 | 7:00 pm

Instructor, Dr. Shira Epstein, Assistant Professor, William Davidson Graduate School of Education at JTS

From Darkness into Light: The Arrival of Hanukkah and Winter Solstice

Together, we will explore Hanukkah’s celebration of light, home, and community.

For a biographical note about Dr. Epstein, see page 7 of the Fall Program Calendar.



Rabbi Julie Schonfeld | November 6

The Road Ahead: How the Unique Perspective of Conservative Judaism Can Lead the Jewish Community in the 21st Century

Rabbi Julie Schonfeld is the Executive Vice President of the Rabbinical Assembly, the international association of Conservative/Masorti rabbis. She previously served as Director of Rabbinic Development for the RA, overseeing issues of placement, support, advanced training, early career mentoring, mediation and dispute resolution, and professional boundaries and ethics. She has spearheaded several new initiatives pertaining to the advancement of women rabbis.

Rabbi Schonfeld served from 1996-2001 as the Rabbi of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism on the UWS.



Dr. Eitan Fishbane | December 4

The Mystical Dimension of Judaism: Kabbalah and the Spiritual Quest

What is Kabbalah? How does it fit into the broader context of Jewish thought and practice, and how can contemporary Jews draw on the treasures of this tradition in their own spiritual lives?

Dr. Eitan Fishbane is Assistant Professor of Jewish Thought at JTS. His research focuses on the history and literature of Jewish mysticism, from medieval Kabbalah to modern Hasidism. Dr. Fishbane is the author of *As Light Before Dawn: The Inner World of a Medieval Kabbalist* (available in the Edmond de Rothschild Library). He has published numerous scholarly articles as

well as essays written for a broader audience. A theological essay will appear in *New Voices in Jewish Theology*, edited by P.A.S.'s own Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove. Dr. Fishbane is currently at work on a new book project, tentatively titled *Mystical Drama and Narrative Form: The Literary Craft of the Zohar*.

Congregational Shabbat Dinners Reservation form



1. Dinner with Rabbi Julie Schonfeld | November 6 | 7:30 pm | following the 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service

2. Dinner with Dr. Eitan Fishbane | December 4 | 7:30 pm | following the 6:15 pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service

\$ ◎ Reservations are required for dinner. \$35/person. Payment is necessary to confirm your reservation.

To register, please complete form below and return with payment to Department of Lifelong Learning at P.A.S.: or email lifelonglearning@pasyn.org, or call 212-369-2600, x140.

For information, contact Rabbi Julia Andelman at x142 or jandelman@pasyn.org.

1. November 6 – Number of people attending/\$35 each: _____ Total for November 6: \$ _____

2. December 4 – Number of people attending/\$35 each: _____ Total for December 4: \$ _____

Total enclosed/authorized: \$ _____

Name: _____

Address (include apt.#): _____

Phone (day, evening): _____ Email: _____

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P.A.S. thanks all those whose generous donations to our Kol Nidre appeal support our synagogue. A list of names will appear next month.

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Bikur Cholim

Barbara Kahn, *in memory of her beloved husband Richard S. Kahn.*

Leah & Barrie Modlin, *in memory of* Melanie Schneider.

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Susan & Laurence Lerner, *in memory of Vivian Finkel.*

Graetz Israel Fund

Paul & Anne Corwin, *in memory of Dr. Andrew Schultz's father, Robert Schultz.*

Paul & Anne Corwin, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Paul & Anne Corwin, *in honor of Amos Kaminski's birthday.*

Rabbi & Mrs. David Lincoln.

Nathan & Rita Moser.

Dr. Howard & Shereen Rutman, *in honor of the marriage of William Bressman, son of Amy & Robert Bressman.*

Dr. Howard & Shereen Rutman, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Dr. Howard & Shereen Rutman, *in honor of Stephanie & Kevin Leichter's new baby boy.*

Dr. Howard & Shereen Rutman, *in honor of the engagement of Paul & Anne Corwin's son Michael.*

Dr. Howard & Shereen Rutman, *in honor of the engagement of Simon Lincoln.*

Tamara Spolan.

High School Food Pantry

Edward & Nadine Cohen, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Edward & Nadine Cohen, *in memory of Adele Habousha.*

Beverly Diamond.

Karen & Barry Frankel, *in honor of the engagement of Anne & Paul Corwin's son Michael to Dorit Ingber.*

Karen Frankel, *in honor of her husband Barry's birthday.*

Henry & Karen Glanternik.

Susan & Laurence Lerner, *in memory of William Sherman.*

Patty Schwarz, *in honor of Joan & Sylvan Scheffler on their 50th wedding anniversary.*

Susan, Jeff, Sam, Adam & Jeremy Silverman, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Susan, Jeff, Sam, Adam & Jeremy Silverman, *in honor of Richard Green and Karen Smul for their Simhat Torah honors.*

Meryl E. Wiener, *in memory of her beloved father Meyer Wiener.*

Meryl E. Wiener & Barry A. Bryer, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Stephanie Lynn Kossoff College Fund

Phyllis Kossoff, *in memory of her beloved daughter Stephanie Lynn Kossoff, and in memory of her beloved husband Burton Kossoff.*

Liturgical Music Fund

Mark & Sarita Fraier, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

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Susan Friedman, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Susan & Laurence Lerner, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Susan & Laurence Lerner, *to celebrate the birth of Elan Jacob, Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz's grandson.*

Suzette, Andres, Noah, & Alexa Rubinstein, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Prayer Book Fund

Harriet & Herb Feiweil, *in memory of Arnold Berger.*

Mark & Sarita Fraier, *in honor of the birth of the grandson of Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz.*

Barbara Kahn, *with gratitude to Rabbi Cosgrove.*

Welfare Fund

The Bogatin Family.

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Patricia Fuchs, *in memory of her beloved brother Leonard Prashker.*

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Dr. Howard & Shereen Rutman, *in honor of Rabbi Steven Rein.*

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Harry Wagner.

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Synagogue Offerings

Deanna Adler, *in memory of her beloved mother Pauline Zeitlin.*

Deanna Adler, *in memory of her beloved father Max Zeitlin.*

Harris Amster, *in honor of his birthday.*

Dr. Jean Pakter Bachman, *in memory of her beloved mother-in-law Rose Bachman.*

Dorothy & Joe Bamberger, *in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Ernest & Herta Gottschalk's grandson.*

Dominck Basilone, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Susan & Harvey Berkey, *in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of our dear friends Joan & Sylvan Scheffler.*

Daniel Bernstein, *in memory of his beloved father Arthur Harold Bernstein.*

Ernestine Bernstein, *in memory of her beloved husband Arthur Harold Bernstein.*

Ellen Braverman, *in memory of her beloved father Arthur Braverman.*

Constance Breslin, *in memory of her beloved mother Carol Brafman Lane.*

Dr. Matilda Brust, *in memory of Manny Brust.*

Robert Ceisler, *in memory of his beloved mother Elizabeth Ceisler.*

Toni Ceisler, *in memory of her beloved father Albert Natelson.*

Roberta Chernov, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Carol H. Cohen, *in memory of her beloved mother Evelyn Herman.*

Sherry Cohen, *in memory of Melanie Schneider, beloved mother of Lynn Schneider.*

Morton & Joanne Davis, *in honor of their anniversary.*

Florence Edelstein, *in memory of her beloved son Jeffrey M. Edelstein.*

Kenneth Ellis, *in memory of his beloved wife Phyllis Ellis.*

William Felder, *in memory of his beloved father Edward Felder.*

Barbara Freitag, *in memory of her beloved mother Audrey Heller.*

Edgar Freitag, *in memory of his beloved mother Peggy Freitag.*

Harold Geringer, *in memory of his beloved father-in-law Bernard Nissen.*

Joseph Goldberg, *in memory of his beloved mother Anna Rosensweig Goldberg.*

Dr. James Goldman, *in memory of his beloved mother Katherine Goldman.*

Ernest Gottschalk, *in memory of his beloved mother and father Ida & Emil Gottschalk.*

Dr. Carin Lamm Gruenberger, *in memory of her beloved father Jack Horowitz.*

Drs. David Helfgott & Anita Cela, *in honor of their anniversary.*

Dr. George & Helene Hines, *in honor of their anniversary.*

Judy & Wally Horowitz, *in memory of her father and mother, Newton & Esther Ceilin, and in memory of his father and mother Abraham & Anne Horowitz.*

Helen Judlowe, *in memory of her beloved mother Evelyn Lautenberg.*

Dr. Neal Kaplan, *in honor of his birthday.*

Gershon Kekst, *in honor of his High Holiday Aliyah.*

Dorothy Ann Kirsch, *in memory of her beloved father Edward Tejw.*

Mark Kirsch, *in memory of his beloved grandfather William Kirsch, and his beloved grandmother Sylvia Tejw.*

Joan Leiman, *in memory of her beloved father John J. Maisel.*

Joan Levine Levenson, *in memory of her beloved father Nathan Levine.*

Alan & Alison Levine, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Marian Levitt, *in honor of her birthday.*

Alan & Nancy Mandell, *in memory of Beatrice Brodman.*

Ruth Ncareenberg, *in memory of her beloved father Samuel Halpern.*

Morris Orden, *in memory of his beloved grandfather Morris King.*

Morris Orden, *in memory of his beloved wife Patricia Orden.*

Susan Orenbuch, *in memory of her beloved father Berek Orenbuch.*

Julius Paige, *in honor of his birthday.*

Dr. Morris M. Podolsky, *in memory of his beloved father Dr. Harold M. Podolsky.*

Hilda Estroff Rubin, Robin & Mike Fishkind, Ron & Debra Estroff *in honor of Sidney Rosoff's 85th birthday.*

Ethel Rubinstein, *in memory of her beloved father Frank Rubinstein.*

Suzette, Andres, Noah & Alexa Rubinstein, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Marcia & Steve Saft, *in honor of the 50th anniversary of Joan & Sylvan Scheffler.*

Janet & Richard Samuels, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Martha Sasmor, *in honor of Cantor David Lefkowitz, with affection for 33 years.*

Martha Sasmor, *in memory of Seth Charney, brother of Dr. Jonathan Charney.*

Elizabeth & Joe Scheffler, *in honor of Joan & Sylvan Scheffler's 50th wedding anniversary.*

Joan & Sylvan Scheffler, *in memory of Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*

Joan & Sylvan Scheffler, *in memory of Melaine Schneider.*

Florence Seligman, *in honor of her High Holiday Aliyah.*

Eytan Shapiro, *in honor of his High Holiday Aliyah.*

Annette Sherman, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Leo Silverstein, *in honor of his birthday.*

The Sisterhood of P. A. S., *in memory of Melanie Schneider, our friend who was always generous with her help.*

Diane & Jerry Smallberg, *in memory of Marion Heckler.*

Smallberg Family, *in appreciation to Linda & Andy Ferber.*

Smallberg Family, *in appreciation to Rabbi Lincoln.*

Florence Solomon, *in memory of her beloved husband, Dr. Nathan A. Solomon.*

Florence Solomon, *in memory of Melanie Schneider, a devoted friend, a person of strong character and a great leader.*

Helen Straus, *with everlasting gratitude.*

Robin J. Suttenger, *in memory of Robert Kaye.*

Michael Taubin, *in memory of his beloved father Skee Taubin.*

Steve & Ellen Tower, *in memory of Beatrice Brodman.*

Henry Vogelstein, *in memory of his beloved brother Charles Vogelstein.*

Jacqueline Wahl, *in honor of her High Holiday Aliyah.*

Dr. Steven & Tammy Weinfeld, *in memory of Melanie Schneider.*

Marlene Zausner, *in appreciation.*

Roberta Zuckerman, *in memory of her beloved father Morris Emanuel Greebel.*

Celebrating a simcha?

A birthday, anniversary, engagement, wedding, new grandchild, or anything else for which you are grateful? Sponsor a breakfast kiddush any weekday after the Morning Minyan.

For more information, contact Lynn Schneider at 212-369-2600, x105 or lschneider@pasyn.org.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 14 Heshvan 	2 15 Heshvan <div>9:30 am JAMS Hebrew & Prayer classes</div> <div>6:30 pm Gallery Reception</div> <div>7:30 pm Women's Torah Study</div>	3 16 Heshvan Election Day <div>VOTE</div> <div>No CS</div> <div>8:00 am Essential Essays</div> <div>11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought</div> <div>6:30 pm Torah & Jewish Studies</div>	4 17 Heshvan <div>5:00 pm Parent Ed: Mitzvah Initiative</div> <div>6:45 pm Melton classes</div>	5 18 Heshvan <div>8:00 am Talmud Torah</div> <div>9:15 am Melton classes</div> <div>11:00 am Lunch & Learn</div> <div>12:00 pm Midtown Lunch & Learn</div>	6 19 Heshvan Candle lighting, 4:29 pm <div>9:30 am HaMishpachah Sheli</div> <div>6:15 pm Musical Shabbat</div> <div>7:30 pm Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi Julie Schonfeld</div>	7 20 Heshvan Parashat Va-yera <div>8:45 am Parashat HaShavua</div> <div>9:15 am Sanctuary Service</div> <div>9:30 am Havurah</div> <div>11:15 am Tot Shabbat</div> <div>4:45 pm Minha/Ma'ariv</div>
8 21 Heshvan <div>10:00 am Men's Club Study</div> <div>Brunch</div> <div>11:00 am Vivian Finkel Memorial Service</div>	9 22 Heshvan <div>9:30 am JAMS</div> <div>6:30 pm Hebrew & Prayer classes</div> <div>8:00 pm Evening Book Discussion Group</div>	10 23 Heshvan <div>8:00 am Essential Essays</div> <div>11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought</div> <div>5:00 pm Parent Ed: Mitzvah Initiative</div> <div>6:30 pm Torah & Jewish Studies</div>	11 24 Heshvan 	12 25 Heshvan <div>8:00 am Talmud Torah</div> <div>9:15 am Melton classes</div> <div>11:00 am Lunch & Learn</div> <div>12:00 pm Midtown L&L</div> <div>8:00 pm WEG: Shalom Aleichem</div>	13 26 Heshvan Candle lighting, 4:22 pm <div>9:30 am HaMishpachah Sheli</div> <div>6:15 pm Friday Evening Service w/ Children's Birthday Blessings</div> <div>6:00 pm Mizrah Minyan</div>	14 27 Heshvan Parashat Hayyei Sarah <div>8:45 am Parashat HaShavua</div> <div>9:15 am Sanctuary Service</div> <div>4:30 pm Minha/Ma'ariv</div> <div>5:00 pm Young Families Havdalah Service</div>
15 28 Heshvan <div>11:30 am Kadima Scavenger Hunt</div>	16 29 Heshvan <div>9:30 am JAMS</div> <div>10:00 am-9:00 pm Book Fair & Hanukkah Boutique</div> <div>6:30 pm Hebrew & Prayer classes</div> <div>7:00 pm New Members' Reception</div>	17 30 Heshvan Rosh Hodesh <div>8:00 am Essential Essays</div> <div>10:00 am-7:00 pm Book Fair & Hanukkah Boutique</div> <div>11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought</div> <div>1:00 pm Yiddish Club</div> <div>6:30 pm Torah & Jewish Studies</div>	18 1 Kislev Rosh Hodesh 	19 2 Kislev <div>8:00 am Talmud Torah</div> <div>9:15 am Melton classes</div> <div>11:00 am Lunch & Learn</div> <div>12:00 pm Midtown Lunch & Learn</div> <div>7:00 pm JTS Home Study</div> <div>7:00 pm Vicki K. Wimpheimer Memorial Lecture</div>	20 3 Kislev Candle lighting, 4:16 pm <div>9:30 am HaMishpachah Sheli</div> <div>5:00 pm Young Families Shabbat Service & Dinner</div> <div>6:15 pm Friday Evening Service</div>	21 4 Kislev Parashat Tol'dot <div>8:45 am Parashat HaShavua</div> <div>9:15 am Sanctuary Service</div> <div>10:15 am Learners' Minyan</div> <div>4:30 pm Minha/Ma'ariv</div>
22 5 Kislev <div>10:00 am-3:00 pm Vicki K. Wimpheimer Mitzvah Day</div>	23 6 Kislev <div>9:30 am JAMS</div> <div>6:30 pm Hebrew & Prayer classes</div>	24 7 Kislev <div>8:00 am Essential Essays</div> <div>11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought</div> <div>1:00 pm Sisterhood film</div> <div>6:30 pm Torah & Jewish Studies</div>	25 8 Kislev <div>No CS</div> <div>No HS</div> <div>HS Food Pantry Thanksgiving Distribution</div> <div>No Melton classes</div>	26 9 Kislev Thanksgiving <div>Offices closed</div> <div>9:15 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>12:00 pm Minha Service</div>	27 10 Kislev Candle lighting, 4:13 pm <div>Offices closed</div> <div>6:15 pm Friday Evening Service</div>	28 11 Kislev Parashat Va-yetzei <div>8:45 am Parashat HaShavua</div> <div>9:15 am Sanctuary Service</div> <div>Welcome Home College Students</div> <div>4:30 pm Minha/Ma'ariv</div>
29 12 Kislev 	30 13 Kislev <div>9:30 am JAMS</div> <div>6:30 pm Hebrew & Prayer classes</div>	<div>ANY CHANGES ARE NOTED WHEN THEY OCCUR.</div> <div>Daily Minyanim Monday-Friday at 7:15 am; Sundays and Legal Holidays at 9:15 am.</div> <div>Minha/Ma'ariv Sunday-Thursday at 5:45 pm.</div>				



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Please let us know when you need us—if someone is ill or in the hospital—or when you want to share your good news: a new baby, a marriage, or other simcha. We want to know; but you have to tell us. *Please call the Rabbis' Office at 212-369-2600, x120.*

A Look Ahead | Hanukkah on the Horizon

Young Couples Group Annual Latke and Vodka Hanukkah Party | Thursday, December 10

Synagogue-wide Hanukkah Celebration | Sunday, December 13 | 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Celebrate the Festival of Lights at P.A.S.! The day will include events and activities for adults and children of all ages, including the Men's Club Project Ezra Hanukkah Party; a Hanukkah art workshop for children with Ellen Alt, Artist-in-Residence; Hanukkah songs for tots with musician Jacob Stein; a musical extravaganza with Cantors Nancy Abramson, Elana Cohen, and Azi Schwartz; and more!

Project Ezra Hanukkah Party | Sunday, December 13 | 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Assisted by students from the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School, Men's Club will host a party at P.A.S. for elderly Jewish residents of the Lower East Side. Candle lighting and songs will accompany a festive meal. Volunteers are always welcome!



Purim Spiel 2010: Casting Call | Sunday, November 8 | 12:00 pm | Music Room (#210)
Singers, actors, dancers and spielers – please come try out! We need you for the Purim Spiel.
For more information, contact Cantor Nancy Abramson, 212-369-2600, x125.